

**TVINOFF BACKS
RED PROPAGANDA**

**Bolshevik Leader Declares
It Is Confined to Troops
in Germany**

NONE IN ALLIED LANDS

**Sure That Wilson Would
Have Given Soviets Place
at Congress**

By the Associated Press
Stockholm, Jan. 22.—Maxim Litvinoff, former Bolshevik Ambassador in London, in a statement to the Associated Press today admitted that Bolshevik propaganda had been carried on in Germany, but denied such activity in neutral or Entente countries.

"This talk of propaganda is rather fantastic and does not conform to facts," he said. "While I represented the Russian Government in England, neither I nor any of my staff engaged in any illegal propaganda in Russia, but to Bolshevik diplomats in Scandinavia."

"Now, when the Entente nations are waging war on Russia and in Russian territory, we feel justified in engaging in propaganda among the Allied troops. Any government in our place would do the same."

"With the end of hostilities and the withdrawal of these troops, there will be no further opportunity nor desire on our part to make foreign troops or citizens the objects of our propaganda."

Propaganda Not Denied

"In regard to Germany, we do not deny propaganda work, but, prior to the revolution, Germany, despite the formal peace, continued to be the greatest danger to the Russian revolution and our propaganda was an act of self-defense. Even now, Germany is attempting to make Germany a jumping-off ground for attacking Russia and are using for this purpose even German troops, with the connivance of Scheidemann's government. This is indicated in the Baltic provinces, Lithuania and Ukraine."

"Of course, we shall continue to express our views through our press and literature, but this will not take the form of a direct appeal to the citizens of other countries and will be conducted by political parties—not the government."

M. Litvinoff assured the correspondent that the Bolsheviks are great friends of the freedom of the press and political liberty and that the present suppression of all opposition in Russia is due only to the fact that other parties, in a treacherous way, invited foreign troops to invade the country to fight the Bolsheviks.

In concluding he said he was sorry that Paris had been chosen for the Peace Congress, because it was the least suitable place for Soviet representatives to go. He was sure, he said, that if President Wilson's fault, that the Russian Government, which now has been in power fifteen months, is not represented at the Congress."

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British will use the smaller vessels to take the Australians home by way of the Suez Canal. The total of passenger shipping is seven hundred thousand tons, to be divided equally between the Americans and Britain.

This means the movement of seventy thousand more American soldiers home per month. The armistice incident is significant because it afforded the first contact between business men of Germany with businessmen of the Allied world.

The most important thing settled at Treves passed out of purely military into civilian hands. A purely economic relation has been established between Germany and the Allies and upon a basis which is necessarily temporary, but which must develop and extend.

Successful negotiations will become more and more matters for civilians.

**GERMANS SHIFT
BLAME TO POLES**

**Deny Responsibility for
Provoking Outbreaks in
the Prussian Provinces**

BASE HOPES ON PEACE

**Assert That Only Military
Measures Taken Were to
Preserve Order**

By the Associated Press
Amsterdam, Jan. 22.—In reply to a British note requesting the German government to refrain from further provocation of the Polish population in East and West Prussia, Posen and Silesia, the German government, according to a dispatch from Berlin, expresses agreement with Great Britain that the future of the German eastern frontier depends upon the Peace Conference.

The German note expresses surprise at the request to refrain from provocation, and says that the request "can only be attributed to the fact that the British government is inadequately informed of events in the east."

The German note declares that Germany has done everything to redress Polish grievances and accuses the Poles of continually provoking the Germans. It says that Posen is in a state of upheaval and that the German population has appealed for help to the German Government, which has been forced to take military measures to restore law and order. The note asserts that, while the German Government has refrained from action against Polish Nationalists, it cannot "suffer ambitious imperialism to reign supreme."

Events in Upper Silesia, the German note contends, have nothing in common with national questions, and regarding East Prussia there can be no talk of a National Polish movement there.

The note concludes:

"All measures of the German Government since the conclusion of the armistice have only served to carry out the prescriptions of the treaty toward unjustifiable Polish attempts to bring the Polish question to a head before the Peace Conference."

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**Russian Intervention
Is Dropped by France**

**Futility of Acting Alone Is Seen, and Italy
Cannot Spare Troops—Lloyd George
Plan May Win**

By CHARLES A. SELDEN
**Special Cable to Evening Public Ledger
Special Dispatch to Evening Public Ledger**

Paris, Jan. 20 (Delayed).—The proceedings before President Wilson and the Premier and Foreign Ministers of England, France, Italy and Japan at the Quai d'Orsay today and tomorrow may be likened very closely to an investigation by a grand jury. The first witness, so to speak, called today was M. Noujean, the recently returned French ambassador to Russia. Tomorrow he will be followed by M. Scavini, the Danish minister to Russia.

To the testimony of these men the great Powers will add all available information on every phase of the Russian situation, political, economic, military and social. This is the first and one of the greatest tasks of the Peace Conference.

No one pretends yet to say what the finding of this grand jury will be, but it is admitted that one of three courses must be followed. These are: First, to fight the Bolsheviks on the right and directly by sending a powerful military force of American and Allied troops into Russia.

Second, to fight the Bolsheviks indirectly and by proxy, that is, by sending in troops, but by furnishing adequate supplies—guns, ammunition, food and money—to the Russian Government, which are anti-Bolshevik, and aiding them in every possible way short of sending troops, but leaving the actual fighting to save Russia from her present plight to the Russians themselves.

Third, to give up fighting the Bolsheviks altogether, and to try to arrive at a working arrangement with the Soviet government whereby the Bolshevik leader would pledge himself to cease warfare and terrorism and to give the Allies an opportunity to relieve the present starvation condition in Russia and assist in the reorganization of the transportation and industrial systems as a preliminary to restoring commercial and diplomatic relations with the rest of the world and putting the Russian people in a position to decide upon their form of government.

**AMERICAN TROOPS MAY
REINFORCE POLISH ARMY**

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London, Jan. 22.—The Daily Chronicle's diplomatic correspondent, discussing the Russian problem now before the Peace Conference, says that the telegram exchanged between Great Britain and America, signed by Lloyd George, subject would fill a volume.

"The opinion obtains here," he said, "that if any intervention is sanctioned it will take the form of reinforcing the Polish army, which would thus offer a wall to Bolshevism from the east to the west. Polish forces hitherto employed in the west would be strengthened by the addition of two American divisions."

The correspondent proceeds to point out that the weak point in this proposal is the uncertainty as to the disposition of the populace, and whether Bolshevism can be fought successfully. Premier Paderewski's difficulties are considerable and are as great in the west as in the east. The question is how Poland can exist without close economic relations with Russia, since she cannot hope to find a market for her manufactures in the German and Austrian states. The correspondent concludes:

"The interdependence of Poland, Estonia and other constituent parts of the former Russian empire is so great that many quarters that the only real remedy for the present anarchy is federation. A solution will probably receive sympathetic consideration from the conference. It is obvious that Russia is absolutely dependent on the admission of one or two divers, and its interests also are not diverse. Federation, when seems to be the most workable system."

Little Chance for Intervention

There seems to be hardly one chance in a million that the first of these three possible courses will be adopted. The anti-intervention policy of America is well known. Furthermore, the United States has a task at the end of a long war and in the face of public clamor for speedy demobilization. It is hardly likely that she will undertake such a task at the end of a long war and in the face of public clamor for speedy demobilization. It is hardly likely that she will undertake such a task at the end of a long war and in the face of public clamor for speedy demobilization.

**IRISH FREEDOM
IS PROCLAIMED**

**Sinn Feiners Solemnly Con-
stitute Themselves as Dub-
lin Parliament**

MEETING NOT DISTURBED

**Proceedings Somewhat Dull-
ed by Use of Gaelic Tongue.
Name Peace Delegates**

By the Associated Press
Dublin, Jan. 22.—Twenty-five members of the Sinn Fein society elected to the British House of Commons assembled here yesterday afternoon and formally constituted themselves the "Dail Eireann," which is Irish Gaelic for Irish Parliament.

They elected Charles Burgess, whose Irish name is Cathal Brugha, speaker. They also adopted a declaration of independence and an address to the nations of the world and appointed a committee consisting of Count Plunkett, Arthur Griffith, and Professor Edward Healy to represent the claim of Ireland to self-determination to the Peace Conference at Paris.

The last two named being in British prisons only the venerable Count Plunkett can proceed to Paris, and then only provided the British government consents to give passports.

Irish Tongue Used

The walls of the hall were quickly filled by the throngs of that crowd the streets were filled with women shoppers and unarmed British soldiers who loomed on the sidewalks. The only sign of interest which loyal citizens displayed was the hanging out of a large number of Union Jacks to testify to the politics of the houses they decorated.

This may have been a historical day for Ireland, but the inauguration of the Irish Parliament was neither thrilling nor imposing.

According to the provisional constitution of the Irish republic now before the "Dail Eireann," legislative powers are to be vested in deputies elected from existing parliamentary constituencies. The ministry will consist of a president and four executive officers—secretaries of finance, home affairs, foreign affairs and national defense. All revenues will be raised on the vote of the "Dail Eireann." The constitution may be altered upon seven days' notice.

Address to Free Nations

The "Address to Free Nations" began: "The nation of Ireland, having her national independence, calls through her elected representatives, in Parliament assembled, upon every free nation to support the Irish republic by recognizing Ireland's national status and her right to vindication at the Peace Conference."

It declared that Ireland was radically distinct from England in race, language, customs and traditions. Ireland, it said, was one of the most ancient nations of Europe. She had preserved her national identity and vigor intact through seven centuries of foreign oppression and never had relinquished her national independence.

Today these harbors are empty, and the only because Ireland, it is declared, is determined at the dawn of the promised era of self-determination and liberty that she will suffer foreign domination no longer, calls every free nation to uphold her national claim to complete independence as an Irish republic against the arrogant pretensions of England, which were founded on fraud and sustained by overwhelming military occupation. She demands to be confronted publicly with England at the congress of nations, that the civilized world, having judged between English wrong and Irish right, may guarantee Ireland its permanent support for the maintenance of national independence."

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